## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. -20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of  $\frac{18 \text{ to } 120 \text{ X}}{120 \text{ Conservation}}$  nucleotides wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:
  - (a) at least 18 Y consecutive nucleotides of SEO ID NO: 46759-4641 or 4642;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 34/5862.5% identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c),

## wherein

X = 18 to 24

Y ≥18, and

\_\_\_\_X≥Y.

- 22. 40 (Canceled)
- 41. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, wherein the sequence of (c) is at least 70.8% identical to (a) or (b).
- 42. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, wherein the sequence of (c) is at least 79.2% identical to (a) or (b).
  - 43. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 21, 41, or 42, wherein X = Y.
  - 44. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid according to claim 21, 41, or 42.
  - 45. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 43.
- 46. (New) An isolated nucleic acid consisting of X nucleotides wherein the sequence of the nucleic acid comprises:
  - (a) Y consecutive nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 4641 or 4642;
  - (b) an RNA equivalent of (a);
  - (c) a sequence at least 62.5% identical to (a) or (b); or
  - (d) the complement of any one of (a)-(c)

## wherein

X = 50 to 120,

Y > 18.

X > Y.

- 47. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 46, wherein the sequence of (c) is at least 70.8% identical to (a) or (b).
- 48. (New) The nucleic acid of claim 46, wherein the sequence of (c) is at least 79.2% identical to (a) or (b).
  - 49. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid according to claim 46, 47, or 48.

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